



Army Family Covenant

what it means to you

Child, Youth & School Services

"We are committed to improving family readiness by ensuring excellence in schools, youth services and child care."

School Support Services

- Increased school support services by adding 40 School Liaison Officers (to ultimately achieve a total of 144 SLOs Army-wide)
- Expanded training for school personnel to mitigate the effects of deployments and transitions on military students

Deployment Cycle Support

- Extended operating hours for child and youth programs (beyond the normal duty day)
- Increased respite child care from 5 to 16 hours per child per month for Families

Fee Reductions for Parents

- Eliminated Child, Youth & School (CYS) Services registration fees for patrons
- Reduced CYS program fees to ease financial burden on Families

Support for Warriors in Transition

- Provided no cost hourly child care to Families and caregivers during medical treatment appointments
- Offered child care fee reductions at lowest fee category (Cat 1) and waived fees for 4 CYS instructional classes and 2 CYS individual sports for children of Wounded Warriors.



Quality Programs for Children and Youth

- Granted 100% Department of Defense certification of all garrison child and youth programs (equivalent of state licensing requirements)
- Achieved 97% external accreditation of Child Development Centers and School Age Programs by national professional accrediting agencies



Construction of Child and Youth Facilities

- Funded 22 new Child Development Centers in FY07; 97 Child Development Centers programmed during FY08-14
- Funded 1 new Youth Center in FY07; 25 Youth Centers programmed during FY08-13

Outreach to Geographically Dispersed Youth

- Operation: Military Kids provides community based outreach services to children and youth of deployed Active, National Guard, and Army Reserve Soldiers in 42 states
- Distributed 40,000 "Hero Packs" to National Guard and Army Reserve Youth with a deployed parent.



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